GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4507
ANSWERED ON:17.04.2001
COW SLAUGHTERING
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have failed to check and control the cow slaughtering in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the number of cows slaughtered during each of the last three years;

(c) whether as per the direction of the Court the Commissioner of Delhi Police ordered for inquiry into the slaughtering of cows;

(d) if so, the details in this regard; and

(e) the outcome of the inquiry and the action taken against the guilty persons?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)&(b): The preservation, protection and improvement of stock and prevention of animal diseases is a matter on which the legislature of states under Article 246(3) of the Constitution have exclusive powers to legislate. The States of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal and Manipur have enacted legislation to restrict or ban slaughter of cow and its progeny. The figures of slaughter of cows is, therefore, not maintained by the Central Government.

(c)to(e): The inquiries conducted by Delhi Police in compliance with the directions of the Court of Metropolitan Magistrate, did not reveal any incident of such kind in Delhi.